VPCJ1 Series Hard Disk Drive Replacement Instructions

IMPORTANT!
PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU START

These easy instructions will guide you through the Hard Drive replacement process.

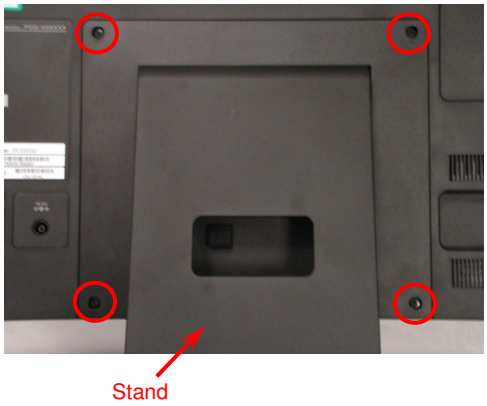
- ✓ Before you begin, place your computer on a clean or covered surface to avoid damage to the computer's case.*
- ✓ Follow the ESD (Electrostatic Discharge) damage prevention instructions:
  - Hold parts by the edges, away from exposed circuitry when possible.
  - Do not walk around excessively as this promotes static build-up.
- ✓ Before you begin, remove any jewelry you may be wearing to prevent scratches to the surface of your computer.*
- ✓ The appearance of the electronic components shown in the illustrations may differ from the components shipped. This slight difference does not affect the accuracy of these instructions.

* Sony is not responsible for damage caused by incorrect handling of the computer.

Prepare the Computer

CAUTION: Make sure the computer is turned off, and the AC Adapter is disconnected. Failure to do so can result in damage to the computer.

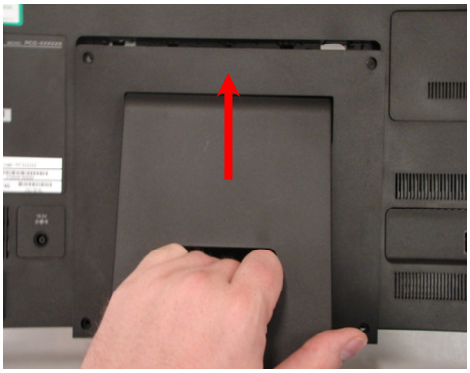
Step 1. Place the computer upside down on a protected surface with the front edge facing you.



Hard Drive Removal (Steps 2-6)

Step 2. Using the enclosed magnetic screwdriver, remove the four (4) screws securing the stand.

Put aside the Stand Screws to re-secure the Stand later in the procedure.



Step 3. Grasp the stand handle and pull upwards to remove the stand.

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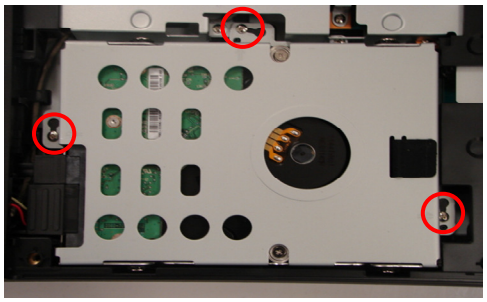
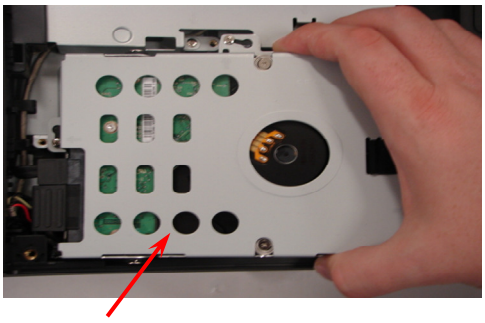
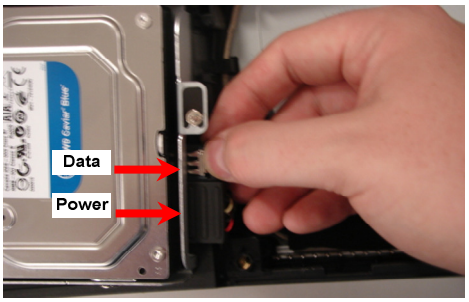


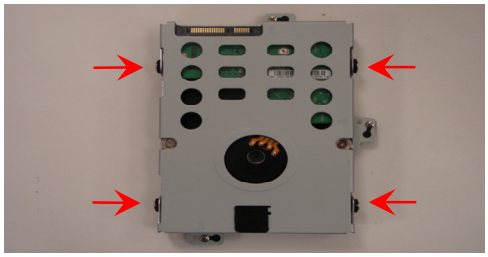
Step 4. Using the enclosed magnetic screwdriver, loosen the three (3) screws securing the Hard Drive Assembly. **These screws can not be completely removed. They will stay enclosed in the assembly.**



Step 5. Grasp the sides of the Hard Drive Assembly and lift. **Do not completely remove the assembly at this step.**

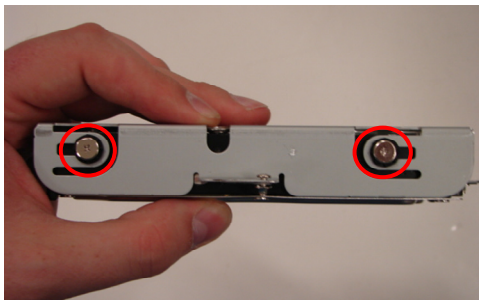


Step 6. Carefully turn the Hard Drive Assembly over to disconnect the Data and Power Cables from the assembly. To release the Data Cable, push the metal tab and pull the Cable to the right. To release the Power Cable just pull to the right. Remove the assembly.

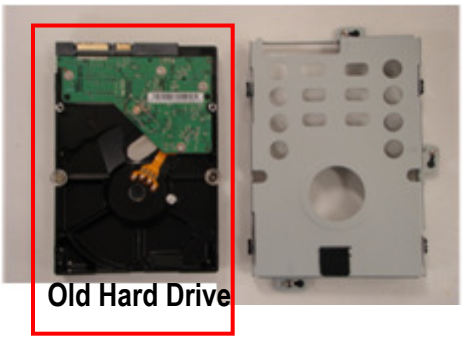


Hard Drive Disassembly (Steps 7-12)

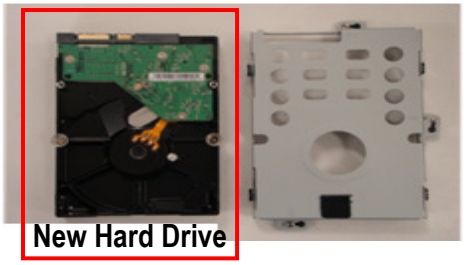
Step 7. Identify the (4) side screws that secure the bracket to the Hard Drive.



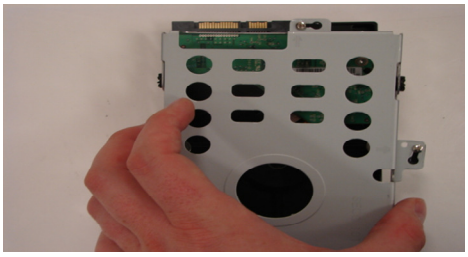
Step 8. Holding the edge of the Hard Drive, remove each screw. **Put aside the Bracket Screws to secure the Bracket to the Hard Dive later in the procedure.**



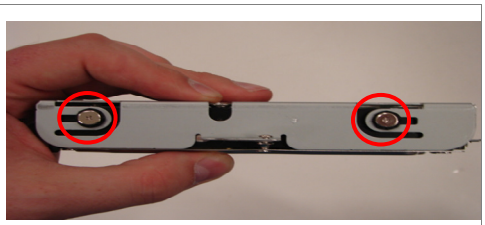
Step 9. Set the old Hard Drive aside.



Step 10. Place the new Hard Drive next to the Hard Drive Bracket as shown.



Step 11. Place the Hard Drive bracket over the new Hard Drive.



Step 12. Re-install the four (4) Hard Drive Bracket screws to secure the Hard Drive bracket to the New Hard Drive.

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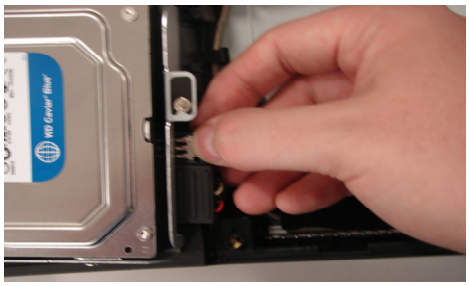
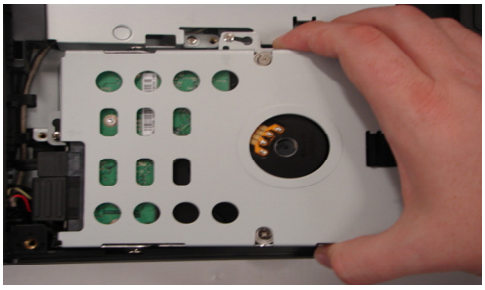
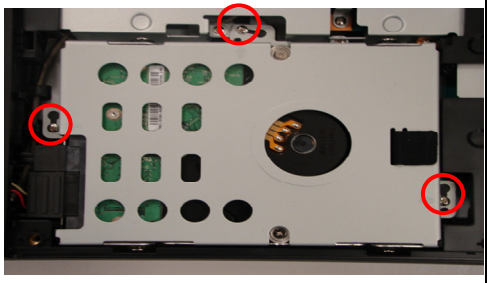


Hard Drive Reinstallation (Steps 14-18)

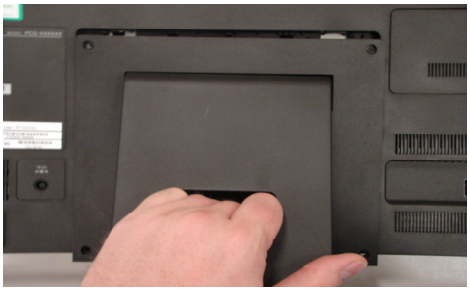
Step 13. Reconnect the Hard Drive Cables.



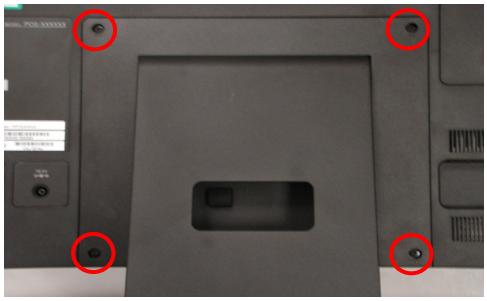
Step 14. Carefully turn the Hard Drive Assembly over, and insert it into the Hard Drive Bay. **Hold the Hard Drive on the sides to avoid damage.**



Step 15. Re-install the three (3) Hard Drive Screws holding the Hard Drive Assembly in place.



Step 16. Re-install the stand. Verify the sides are completely flush after installation.



Step 17. Re-install the four (4) Hard Drive Screws to secure the stand.

Step 18. Reconnect the AC Adaptor.

Power on your computer and continue with the recovery process by following the instructions described on the back of the recovery disk's case.

Return the old Hard Drive to Sony using the included shipping instructions.